Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 03 Nov 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 04 Nov 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 02 Nov 2023 at 16:13 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Friday. Low for cloud amounts over the weekend. Low for details from Monday onwards.

Headline for Friday 03 Nov 2023: Cold wet and breezy with outbreaks of rain and low cloud.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 03 Nov 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Fog
Precipitation probability							
60%	70%	80%	70%	70%	70%	40%	20%

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Weather: Persistent rain through the early hours and much of the day across central and eastern ranges. Rain patchier along the west coast with Skye and Knoydart seeing the best of the drier spells. Some heavier outbreaks of rain spread west through the afternoon, then an increasingly dry evening and night away from Caithness hills

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 10% or less.

Low cloud and visibility: Very poor visibility with persistent cloud above 400-500m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	27/31 NE	22/27 N	26/31 N	29/34 N	24/30 N	21/25 N	15/18 N	15/18 NE	13/16 NE
900	23/27 NE	20/24 N	23/28 N	26/31 N	22/28 N	19/23 N	13/16 N	13/17 NE	12/15 NE
600	15/19 N	15/20 N	18/23 N	18/24 N	17/23 N	14/19 N	8/11 N	7/10 NE	6/10 NE
300	3/21 N	3/20 N	7/24 N	6/24 N	7/24 N	5/19 N	3/13 N	4/13 NE	4/11 NE
Glen	10/21 NE	13/25 NE	12/25 N	10/23 N	12/24 N	10/20 N	5/11 NE	4/8 NE	4/8 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-5	1/-5	1/-6	2/-5	2/-4	2/-3	2/-3	2/-4	1/-3
900	3/-4	2/-4	2/-4	2/-4	3/-3	3/-2	3/-2	2/-2	2/-2
600	4/0	4/-1	4/-1	5/-0	5/1	6/2	5/2	4/2	4/1
300	6/5	6/4	6/3	6/4	7/5	8/6	6/5	6/4	5/4
Glen	9/6	8/6	8/5	9/6	10/7	10/8	9/8	8/7	8/6
Freezing Level*	1400m	1300m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Wind and rain will enhance chill affect.

Forecast for Saturday 04 Nov 2023

Weather: Most likely a dull day with outbreaks of rain becoming more widespread after dawn, although southernmost ranges may stay dry. However, there is a chance that drier brighter conditions will spread north. Most likely dry with some clear spells after dark.

Maximum wind: Light and variable.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20-60%. Best chance on the south.

Low cloud and visibility: Most likely poor visibility to start with persistent cloud down to around 400-600m across northern ranges, perhaps above the summits in the south. A chance cloud will thin and break from the south through the day.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 5 Celsius rising to 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 or 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1200-1300m.

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